

HANGS BY A THREAD.

ALICE PLATT'S LIFE IN THE HANDS OF TWELVE MEN.

ACQUITTAL OR A HUNG JURY.

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SITUATION IS GRAVE.

EUROPE MUCH ALARMED OVER THE TROUBLE IN CRETE.

TURKO-GREEC WAR FEARED.

SALISBURY EXPECTED TO ASSUME A VERY FIRM ATTITUDE.

Russian Fleet Approaching the Bosporus—Special Cabinet Council Sitting in Constantinople to Discuss the Situation.

London, Feb. 11.—The papers this morning are full of long telegrams from European capitals and editorials dealing with the gravity of the situation in Crete and expressing fears of a war between Turkey and Greece.

A dispatch to the Chronicle from Rome says that the report that the Russian fleet on the Black sea is approaching the Bosporus has been confirmed.

A dispatch to the Chronicle from Vienna says that the powers, after conferring with each other all day, decided to reinforce the Greek army in Crete and to prevent the union of Crete and Greece or anything likely to lead to a rupture between Greece and Turkey.

The Daily News correspondent at Rome also says that, although the powers have admonished Greece against precipitating a war, they have given her to understand that if she succeeds in occupying Crete they will not object to the accomplished fact.

The Pall Mall Gazette this afternoon says there is reason to believe that the government of Great Britain regards the dispatch of the Greek fleet to Crete as a very serious matter and is likely to involve the gravest consequences, adding: "No intimation of the intentions of Greece was conveyed to any of the powers, and the preparations to carry them into effect were carefully concealed from a committee of the cabinet."

It is also stated that the Marquis of Salisbury will adopt a very firm attitude and that immediate and vigorous steps will be taken to neutralize the effect of Greece's action.

The uprising on the island of Crete is attracting no little attention here. Since the massacre of Scio in 1822, none of the Greek islands has given the Turkish government so much trouble as Crete. After the massacre of Scio, Crete was a constant source of trouble to the Turks.

But Premier Disraeli, of England, was not disposed to weaken Turkey at that time, and he has been equally firm and serious. So the mutual bickering between the Turkish authorities and the Christians has continued, varied by occasional little wars and massacres.

It is said that the Turkish government has not enforced the constitution, and they have not, hence the present uprising in Crete, in which the Greeks seem likely to take part, and which may endanger the concert of the powers.

A dispatch to the Times from Athens says that the Central Crete committee is preparing to support the Cretans with arms, ammunition and supplies on a great scale. The first instalment, it is added, sailed on Wednesday.

The same dispatch states that the report of the capture of the island of Crete was due to the announcement that the Turkish torpedo boats were in the harbor of Crete.

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A dispatch to the Times from Crete says that the latest telegram from Cairo reports that the Italian consuls in Crete are killing the Mohammedan inhabitants. Those who have succeeded in escaping to the scene of the massacres are flocking to Sitia, which is still in the possession of the Christians.

It is probable that the persistence of the Mohammedan attacks will make necessary active measures on the part of the government. The Italian consul at Crete, an officer of the new gendarmerie has gone to Kisami to investigate the reports of the massacres.

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SHERMAN AND THE CABINET.

The Senator Says the Report That He May Back Out is Ridiculous.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 11.—The Commercial Tribune's Washington correspondent telegraphs the following interview with Senator Sherman:

"Senator, the report has again been published that, owing to certain complications, you would not enter the cabinet. Will you authorize the Commercial-Tribune to authoritatively deny these reports?"

"They are not true; I do not consider them worth denying."

"You may say for me, however, that I have never considered such a thing as not accepting the state portfolio since my acceptance of it. That would not be in accordance with any of my doing, and all reports to the contrary are ridiculous that they are not worth denying."

"M'KINLEY'S VISITORS. Noticeable Decline in Their Prominence Lately, But No Decrease in Numbers."

Canton, O., Feb. 11.—The library of Major McKinley's residence was inadequate part of the morning to accommodate the large number of visitors, and an overflow wing room was improvised in the front hall.

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ONLY HIS HEAD FOUND.

A WEALTHY INDIAN TERRITORY STOCK RAISER MURDERED.

WAS WAYLaid NEAR NOWATA. STARTED TWO WEEKS AGO FROM INDEPENDENCE TO VISIT.

May Have Been Slain For His Money or to Prevent Him From Testifying in an Important Case—Other News of Crime.

Independence, Kas., Feb. 11.—(Special.) Last night a wagon and team were found in a secluded place in the woods, not far from the road at the crossing of the Verdigris river, about three miles east of Nowata, 1. T., 100 miles south of here. To-day it was identified as that of Joel Mack, a wealthy stock raiser, who owns a large tract of land near Bartlesville, but whose family live in this city. His coat and hat were found near the wagon, and indications were that a struggle had taken place. Excitement ran high and upon further search it was found where his clothes had been burned, and later his head, detached from his body, was discovered in some bushes on the river's bank. His body cannot be found and it is probable that he was murdered and his body thrown into the river. Mack was in this city a little over two weeks ago and started in a wagon for Nowata, where he was writing up his accounts. He had had considerable money when he left here, and that might have been the incentive for the murder. Mack was a well-to-do man and had been in the United States court there. It is thought by some that he was murdered to prevent him from testifying in an important case. He had considerable money when he left here, and that might have been the incentive for the murder. Mack was a well-to-do man and had been in the United States court there. It is thought by some that he was murdered to prevent him from testifying in an important case.

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MR. GIFFIN A SUICIDE.

American Who Won Fame in the Chinese-Japanese War Shoots Himself While Insane.

New York, Feb. 11.—Captain Philo McGiffin, who commanded the Chinese force in the battle of the Yalu river in September, 1894, during the Chinese-Japanese war, committed suicide early to-day in the post graduate hospital, to which he was recently admitted for treatment.

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